NOTICE OF A SECOND CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF THE TOPSAIL ISLAND BRIDGE OVER THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY ON NC 50 / 210

TIP Project No. B-4929 WBS#: 40233.1.1 Pender County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold a second Citizens Informational Workshop for the above mentioned project on Thursday, October 21, 2010, between the hours of 3:00 pm. and 7:00 pm. at the Surf City Community Center, located at 201 Community Center Drive, Surf City, 28445.

NCDOT will be showing fourteen (14) alternatives developed as a result of the last workshop that was held on June 25, 2009. Maps denoting the proposed 14 project design alternatives will be displayed and NCDOT representatives will be available to discuss the project, answer questions, and receive comments. Written comments are encouraged. Citizens may drop-in anytime during the workshop hours. Please note: there will be no formal presentation.

A Citizens Informational Workshop is held to provide the public an opportunity to participate in the planning process and update them on a project's status. Comments and information received from the public will be taken into consideration as work on this project progresses. Additional public involvement will continue throughout the development of the project.

NCDOT proposes to build a new bridge to replace the existing swing bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway on NC 50 / 210 in Surf City. This is one of two bridges that provide access to Topsail Island. The existing bridge is a steel truss swing span bridge that was built in the 1950's and is due for replacement.

You may contact the project engineers, Ms. Michele James, NCDOT, Project Development and Environmental Analysis Branch, phone (919) 733-7844 ext. 233; or email: mjames@ncdot.gov or Mr. Chad Critcher, PE, RS & H Consultants, phone: (704) 752-0610 or email: Chad.Critcher@rsandh.com.

Additional information regarding the project is available on the NCDOT website: http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/TopsailIslandBridge/ or by telephoning the project hotline: 1-877-392-5996.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Ms. James as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.